



## INFORMATIONAL MEMO

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*HCPF Memo Series can be accessed online: <https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/memo-series>*

### **Purpose and Audience:**

The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing invites the public to comment on proposed waiver amendments to the following Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waivers: Children's Extensive Support (CES), Persons with Developmental Disabilities (DD), and Supported Living Services (SLS).

### **Information:**

The Department intends to submit the amendments to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. The Department will request an effective date of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 for all amendments.

The proposed waiver amendments include the following changes:

- Addition of Transition Services (DD, SLS)
- Update to Case Manager (CM)/Case Management Agency (CMA) Qualification Criteria (CES, DD, SLS)
- Home Modification Update to Durable Medical Equipment (DME) (CES, SLS)
- An increase to the Service Spending Limits (CES)
- Addition of Post Payment Review Performance Measure (CES, DD, SLS)
- Addition of the Prader-Willi diagnosis to the Development Disability Definition (CES, DD, SLS)
- Update to language to remove references to Dear Administrators Letters (DAL) and replace with the Department's Memo Series (CES, DD, SLS)

For a more detailed summary of all changes, please go to the Department's website at <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/hcbs-waiver-transition> to view the full draft waiver amendment fact sheet. You may also obtain a paper or electronic copy by calling 303-866-3684 or by writing the Department at 1570 Grant St, Denver, CO 80203.

The public comment period is open for 30 days, from September 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Comments should be submitted to the Department through the following routes:

1. By Email: [LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us](mailto:LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us) (subject line: HCBS Waiver Amendments)
2. By Phone: 303-866-3684
3. By US Mail: Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, Attention HCBS Waiver Amendments, 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203
4. By Fax: Attention: HCBS Waiver Amendments 303-866-2786

**Attachments:**

None

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